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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I would like to comment on the proposed settlement to the Microsoft Anti-trust settlemnt. Allowing Microsoft to pay its debt to society with its own software seems to artificially inflate the true penalty they pay and increases their market share in new fields. I agree with the arguments published by Microsoft's business competitors, Apple and RedHat, which propose that the schools should receive cash and buy their own (possibly non-Microsoft) software and hardware.

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